

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s)** : Allan J. McPherson et al.  
**Serial No.** : 09/779,271 **Examiner** : MEI, XU  
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**For** : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DOWN CONVERTING  
MULTICHANNEL PROGRAMS TO DUAL CHANNEL PROGRAMS  
USING A SMART COEFFICIENT GENERATOR

Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE  
TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement issued in the above-identified application on October 3, 2007 the Applicants hereby provisionally elect GROUP I, claims 1, 4, 13-15, 17-19, drawn to an apparatus and method for digital audio recording of a multichannel program, classified in class 700, subclass 94, without traverse.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to the Deposit Account No. 07-1730, Docket No. 3054-027. A duplicate copy of this Communication is attached for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted  
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